



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6872**
Akio YAMANE : Attorney Docket No. 2002_0401A
Serial No. 10/088,598 : Group Art Unit 1634
Filed March 21, 2002 : Examiner Katherine Salmon
HYBRIDIZATION SELF-RECOGNITION : **Mail Stop: Amendment**
PROBE

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated September 5, 2006, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

*THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES
FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 23-0975*